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1. [redacted] D. K. Bykov, acting director of the Shanghai branch of Torgpredstvo while Director Arinichev is in Siam, has been conducting negotiations with the Central Trust of China regarding the 1948 tea crop from Foochow, Fukien Province, and Formosa.

2. [redacted] Shanghai Soviet Vice-Consul P. A. Sergeyev informed Bykov that it was not worthwhile to send foodstuffs by plane to the starving Soviet colony in Mukden as previously planned (see [redacted]). He said that money should be transferred from Shanghai to Mukden so that the Soviet community could purchase foodstuffs there regardless of the high prices.

3. The failure of Archbishop Viktor and Priest Rogozhin of the Russian Orthodox Mission in China to return to the USSR resulted in the assignment of Mr. D. P. Nikitin to the task of returning these men to that country. Nikitin was unable to accomplish his assignment and he is expected to be returned to the USSR on the next trip of the SECRECY. [REDACTED] Archbishop Viktor, Priest Rogozhin and other high priests of the Russian Orthodox Mission in China were invited by the Patriarch of Moscow to attend the 500th Anniversary of the Independence of the Moscow Russian Orthodox Patriarchy, currently being held in Moscow. Both Viktor and Rogozhin declined the invitation and Priest Gabriel attended in their stead).

4. G. Dombrover, a partner in Daltotat [] and his cousin will shortly receive Cuban passports through the efforts of N. M. Yakovlev, a lawyer and known Soviet activist in Shanghai. According to Yakovlev, at the present time it is very easy to obtain Cuban passports and eventually Cuban citizenship if the applicant deposits in an accredited Cuban bank sufficient funds for the purpose of bringing new industry to Cuba.

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7. The Soviet Embassy intends to approach the Chinese Central Government with plans for the establishment of Soviet consular representatives in Tsingtao, Canton, Formosa and other important cities of China. It is also intended to send representatives of Torgpredstvo for the purpose of increasing Sino-Soviet trade. These Torgpredstvo representatives are prepared to negotiate for the sale, to Chinese firms, of chemical agricultural fertilizers, coal dust and newsprint.

8. N. A. Vladykin, 2nd Secretary of the Soviet Embassy in Nanking and concurrently representative of VOKS (All-Union Association for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries), recently arrived in Shanghai and had conferences with certain Shanghai Chinese social and literary leaders. These conferences resulted in a decision to enlarge the activity of VOKS to include VOKS centers in South China.

9. The following employees of the Soviet Embassy in Nanking have been instructed to prepare for repatriation to the USSR:

E. N. Vinogradov
Y. A. Fomin
A. T. Mishin
A. N. Zhuravleva
V. S. Lokhmutov
V. A. Zhuravleva

The reason given for their repatriation is that they have been abroad too long a time and such long service abroad may "react on their Party ideology." [redacted] office).

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